

PARKWAY CAMPGROUND INFORMATION

The Natchez Trace Parkway provides campgrounds to help make your visit more enjoyable. Certain rules exist to ensure equal opportunity for all to enjoy a pleasurable camping experience. We ask your cooperation in following these rules, which are established in your interest, for your enjoyment, and for your safety:

- Campsites are available on a first-come, first served basis. (Reservations are not required or accepted.)
- No camping fees are charged.
- Camp and park only in designated locations.
- Maintain hours of quiet from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- Campsites are not to be disturbed by cutting plant life, or digging or leveling of the ground.
- Leave your campsite clean.
- Build fires only in fireplaces. Burn only dead or downed wood.
- Do not disturb the natural scene of the Park.
- Pets must be on a leash, or otherwise under physical restrictive control at all times.
- The use of fireworks or firearms on the parkway is prohibited.
- Organized groups should make advance arrangements by contacting the Chief Rangers office at 662-680-4014.

The following information supplements camping data given in the Natchez Trace Parkway information folder. The map in the folder shows the locations of the three campgrounds.

Individual campsites have a picnic table, fireplace with grill, and a level tent site. Drinking water and comfort stations are provided in the campgrounds.

There are no facilities for hot water, showers, electrical and sanitary hookups, or dumping. Each campground has a separate picnic area equipped with picnic tables, fireplaces with grills, and drinking water.

MERIWETHER LEWIS CAMPGROUND

Location: Milepost 385.9 in Tennessee. 32 campsites. Camping/picnicking supplies and gas are available four miles west of parkway on Tennessee Highway 20 toward Hohenwald.

JEFF BUSBY CAMPGROUND

Location: Milepost 193.1 in Mississippi. 18 campsites. A concessionaire operates a service station and camp store here.

ROCKY SPRINGS CAMPGROUND

Location: Milepost 54.8 in Mississippi. 22 campsites. Camping/picnicking supplies available at Port Gibson and Utica, both about 15 miles away.

Bicycle Only Campgrounds (north to south)

Tennessee Highway 50

(milepost 408)

Follow the signs to the TN Highway 50 trailhead of the Natchez Trace National Scenic Trail. This is a horse staging area. Water, picnic tables, fire grate, and garbage cans are available. Nearest restrooms are at the Gordon House and Ferry Site just south of TN Highway 50.

Colbert Ferry

(milepost 327)

Enter the Colbert Ferry site, turn left and follow the road to the left of the contact station, past the parking lot. Continue to the gated road marked with tent and bicycle symbols. Proceed through the gate and down the path to the right. Two tent sites, picnic tables, and fire grates are available. Water and restrooms are located at the contact station.

Tupelo Visitor Center

(milepost 266)

Bicycle camping is available at an Outdoor Classroom facility adjacent to the Tupelo Visitor Center. Cross the Parkway at the south end of the Visitor Center parking lot, proceed through all four lanes of traffic and continue on this road to the small parking area/trailhead. Across the road from the parking area is a trail through the forest. Follow this trail to the camping area. Primitive cabins, fire grates, picnic tables, garbage cans, water, and pit toilets are available.

Witch Dance

(milepost 234)

Bicycle camping is permitted at the Witch Dance picnic area. Camping is to be done in the horse staging area to the west and south of the restrooms. No camping is allowed in the picnic loop. Restrooms, picnic tables, fire grates, garbage cans, and water is available in the area.

Kosciusko

(milepost 159)

Enter the road marked District Ranger Office just south of the Kosciusko Information Center. Once on this road, a tent symbol and arrow direct you into the camping area on your right. Picnic table, water, 4 tent pads, pit toilet, and fire grate are available.

Parkway Emergencies: 1-800-300-PARK (7275)